

Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling Demonstration Grant Program

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP)

Applications Due August 1, 2004

In recognition of the importance of supporting projects that may no longer qualify as innovative, the Department of Natural Resources is announcing the opportunity to submit proposals that demonstrate:

- Expansion of appropriate reuse and recycling of special wastes and problem materials such as computers and other consumer electronics; thermostats, switches, and other items containing mercury; paint; food waste; textiles; carpeting;
- Collection, processing and marketing methods for construction and demolition (C&D) debris. Of primary interest are systems which target the reuse or recycling of wood waste, corrugated cardboard and gypsum wallboard from C&D sites [NOTE: Demonstration of recycling at new construction sites is no longer eligible for funding];
- Implementation of systems by product manufacturers and/or retailers to accept return of used consumer products and/or packaging for reuse or recycling;
- Studies and research to inform decision-making expected to lead to implementation of one or more responsible unit recycling program operational or administrative efficiency initiatives. Proposals will clearly explain how the research or study will be conducted and how the responsible unit will use the results of the study to improve recycling efficiency.
- Projects that could significantly improve or promote the reduction or reuse of Wisconsin solid waste.

\$500,000 is allocated annually for the program; funding for RFPs may not exceed 50% of the funds available in a fiscal biennium. The maximum grant award is \$150,000 or 50% of the total eligible costs, whichever is less.

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REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) Community Wide Waste Reduction Projects

Applications due August 1, 2004

The Department of Natural Resources is soliciting proposals in the Waste Reduction and Recycling Demonstration Grant program for **Community-Wide Waste Reduction** projects. We are seeking waste reduction projects that reduce the amount of waste being produced, reduce the amount of materials used in manufacturing or extend the life of materials.

A project proposal may:

- Implement waste reduction efforts on a community wide basis tailored to local businesses, government facilities, institutions and the general public
- Develop local partnerships to reduce and/or reuse solid waste generated at area industries, institutions, retail and commercial businesses
- Move residential, commercial and/or institutional efforts beyond recycling to waste reduction and reuse behaviors

\$500,000 is allocated annually for the program; funding for RFPs may not exceed 50% of the funds available in a fiscal biennium. Projects selected under this community wide waste reduction RFP will receive 75% of eligible project costs up to a maximum grant amount of \$150,000.

Grant applications must be postmarked by August 1, 2004.

For more information about the Waste Reduction and Recycling Demonstration Grant Program, please see our web site at:
<http://www.dnr.state.wi.us/org/caer/cfa/ef/recycle/index.htm>